Tompkins Township Minutes September 7, 2004

The regular meeting of the Tompkins Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, September 7, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. in the township hall by Supervisor Nancy Seydell. Members present in addition to the supervisor were Clerk Melanie Curran, Treasurer Linda Sterrett, Trustee Mason Samson and Trustee R. Jason Bennett. The minutes of the August 4, 2004 regular board meeting were approved as presented following a motion by Sterrett, supported by Samson. Treasurer's report was read as: Disbursements of \$12,765.54, deposits of \$34,927.79, and a balance of \$182,816.92. The report was approved following a motion by Bennett, support by Samson. Bills for the fire department were read. Moved to accept the report by Curran, support by Sterrett. Motion carried. The Supervisor read the bills due and payable as follows:

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*8976
        Marguerite Dunlap
                           $143.60
*8977
                    $125.40
        Ann Webb
*8978
        Mary Lee Southworth
                              $125.40
        Fannie Cornwell
                         $125.40
*8979
                          $126.68
*8980
        Cathlene Maurer
*8982
        Consumers Energy
                           $145.06
        Grass Lake Charter Township
8983
                                      $59.09
        Dove & Hickey, P.L.C.
8984
                               $4200.00
        Jackson Citizen Patriot
8985
                               $45.09
                              $1135.00
8986
        JMS Inspections, Inc.
8987
        Electrical Inspection Service, Inc.
                                         $300.00
8988
        Jansen Associates, Inc.
                                $290.00
8989
        Verizon North
                       $29.06
8990
        Lani Thomas
                      $115.44
                        $150.00
8991
        Deborah Hulett
8992
        Rives Township
                         $466.12
                              $128.81
8993
        Fidlar Doubleday, Inc.
8994
        Richard Bennett
                         $46.17
8995
        Alan Southworth
                         $46.17
8996
        Melanie Curran
                        $1226.76
                       $1301.75
8997
        Linda Sterrett
        R. Jason Bennett
8998
                          $69.26
8999
        Mason Samson
                         $69.26
9000
        Jackson County Treasurer
                                   $0.33
9001
        Howard Mann
                       $1600.00
9002
        Ann Webb
                   $85.00
9003
        Ronald Parker
                        $90.00
9004
        Nancy Seydell
                        $795.00
*Prepaid Bills
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Moved to pay the bills and approve the prepaid bills by Sterrett, support by Seydell. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. No votes: none. Motion carried.

<u>Dr. Thomas</u> was invited to address the board regarding a study the MSU students will be conducting on the Stewart Property. Invitation was granted to the <u>public</u> to ask questions. <u>Candidates</u> addressed the board and residents asking for support. <u>Public Comment</u> opportunity followed with only one official comment, which was Mason Samson inviting everyone to a pig roast at his house on Sunday.

Nancy Seydell reported a <u>perk test</u> shall be conducted on the Stewart Property at no cost by McBride.

Avery Pre-Buy contract was discussed. Motion to enter the contract and purchase 1700 gallons of propane at \$1.249 for a final cost of \$2,025.86 for the township by Bennett, supported by Samson. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. Motion carried. Motion to enter contract to pre-buy propane for the Stewart house which shall be paid by the Tompkins Historical Society, 500 gallons at \$1.249 for a final cost of \$624.50 by Curran, support by Bennett. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. Motion carried. Motion to preapprove payment for the township contract to Avery Propane in the amount of \$2,225.86 by Bennett, support by Samson. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. Motion carried.

Region 2 requested membership for 2004 - 2005 in the amount of \$744.60. Moved to opt out of membership by Bennett, support by Sterrett. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. Motion carried.

<u>Lawn mower</u> needs to be repaired which was purchased on 12-3-96 for \$4002.82. Move to repair the lawn mower, and not to exceed \$500.00 in costs by Bennett, support by Samson. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. Motion carried.

Moved to have <u>Deb Hulett fix the ruts in the lawn</u> behind the township hall and submit the bill to the man's insurance that did the damage by Curran, support by Bennett. Roll call yes votes: Sterrett, Seydell, Curran, Bennett, and Samson. Motion carried.

Ordinance Office report given by Nancy Seydell.

County Report given by Clifford Herl on various topics.

Planning Commission report by Linda Sterrett. New secretary is now Bill Bivens. Several issues are on the agenda for the Planning Commission. Research and attorney correspondence are holding up finalizations. Treasurer reported Jackson County Treasurer's office is trying to negotiate a \$5.00 standard for charge backs. Charge backs of amounts under \$5.00 would be disregarded. Moved by Curran, support by Samson for Linda Sterrett to write a letter to state the opinion of the board to use a \$1.00 standard for charge backs. Motion carried. Supervisor read the 5 building permits with 20 in attendance.

Melanie Curran Clerk